UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 31, 2019 (October 29, 2019)

The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-11593

(Commission

File Number)

Ohio

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

14111 Scottslawn Road

(Address of principal executive offices)

Marysville Ohio

31-1414921 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

43041 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (937) 644-0011

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Shares, \$0.01 stated value	SMG	NYSE

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b–2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b of this chapter). Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 29, 2019, James F. McCann informed The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (the "Company") and its Board of Directors that he will not stand for re-election as a Class I Director at the Company's 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which is expected to be held on January 27, 2020.

Mr. McCann indicated that his departure was not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies or practices.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY

Dated: October 31, 2019

By: /s/ IVAN C. SMITH

Printed Name: Ivan C. Smith Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer